An Acte for Encouragem^t of soweing English Grayne

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Whereas it appeares that the soweing of English Grayne will conduce much to the publike good of the Inhabitants of this Province and for the better encouragemt herein Be it Enacted by the Lord Proprietary with the Assent of this preent Generall Assembly that wheate here groweing shall pass and be taken at fiue shillings the Bushell; Barley and English pease att three shillings the Bushell, Rye at foure shillings the bushell and oates att two shillings six pence the Bushell. And be it p. 141 further Enacted that all persons that shall tender paymt in such Graynes either upon Publike paymt of rents leauyes or money debts shall be allowed for the same as aforesaid which money shall pass in discount of tobacco debts at 2^d p. This Acte to Endure for three yeares or to the end of the next Generall Assembly

The Lower howse haue assented

William Bretton Clk:

The Vpper howse haue assented John Gittings Clre.

An Acte Concerning the paym! of fees due from criminall persons

Whereas divers Complaynts haue been made by severall Countyes of this Province occasioned for that they have been forced to pay the fees of imprisoned Criminalls, The persons by whome such fees ought to be payd being released and goeing free to the greate Encouragemt of offendors for the prvencon of which for the future Be it Enacted by the Lord Proprietary with the consent and approbacon of the Vpper and Lower howse of this present Generall Assembly that from henceforward noe person either Sherriffe or Goaler shall charge either their owne County to which they belong or the publike with any fee for any Criminall whatsoever comitted to his charge And be it further Enacted tht when such Criminall is discharged according to order & Course of lawe Then such Criminall shall pay his owner fee due to such Sherriffe or Goaler as are due by Acte of Assembly either by servitude or otherwise. Provided that when such Criminall is discharged by order as aforesaid such Sherriffe or Goaler shall not demand fee from and after the tyme when such order given vnles the pson soe freed as aforesaid shall delay paymt of such fees by Servitude or otherwise Prouided alsoe that this Acte shall not intend to Malefactors whoe are Executed or to such other psons who shall be banished haueing noe Estate in the Province In all web Cases the